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1. PRCLO TODAY INFORMED NC (ROSEN) THAT SUGGESTED DATES FOR VISIT AAU TRACK AND FIELD TEAM NOT CONVENIENT AND INSTEAD PROPOSED 15 DAY VISIT COMMENCING MAY 25. TEAM WOULD HOLD TWO "FRIENDLY MEETINGS" IN PEKING, ONE IN SHANGHAI AND ONE IN CANTON. PRCLO OFFICIAL STRESSED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO CONTESTS, ONLY "FRIENDLY MEETS". SIX MEDIA REPS, INCLUDING TELEVISION, PERMITTED TO ACCOMPANY TEAM, BUT WOULD BE LIMITED TO REPORTING ONLY ON ATHLETIC EVENTS. PRCLO OFFICIAL SAID THAT NO NEED FOR ADVANCED PARTY TO PRECEDE VISIT.

2. ON WORLD AFFAIRS GROUP, PRCLO OFFICIAL SAID THAT PRC INVITATION WAS FOR DELEGATION OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS (CFR). HE MADE VAGUE ALLUSION TO MIS-
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UNDERSTANDING CONCERNING ORGANIZATIONAL COMPOSITION OF

DELEGATION. ROSEN DEMURRED, STATING THAT IT HAD ALWAYS BEEN OUR CLEAR INTENTION TO INCLUDE IN DELEGATION DISTINGUISHED LEADERS OF FOUR ORGANIZATIONS PREEMINENT IN

FOREIGN AFFAIRS FIELD, THAT IT WOULD NOT BE IN BEST INTEREST OF BOTH SIDES TO EXCLUDE THE LEADERS OF WORLD AFFAIRS ORGANIZATIONS IN FAVOR OF CFR MEMBERS ALONE, AND ASKED THAT THIS VIEW BE MADE KNOWN TO PRC AUTHORITIES.

3. DEPARTMENT AND NC NOW CONSIDERING PROBLEMS RAISED BY THESE DEVELOPMENTS AND WILL INFORM USLO WHEN DECISION HAS BEEN MADE AS TO HOW TO PROCEED. KISSINGER

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